

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: World War I Centennial Commission

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1. Department or Agency

World War I Centennial Commission

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

World War I Centennial Commission

3b. GSA Committee No.

2477

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

08/08/2013

6. Expected Renewal Date

07/28/2019

7. Expected Term Date

07/31/2019

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

PL112-272

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

PL112-272

13. Effective Date

01/14/2013

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open 3 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 3 Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
16th Meeting of the US World War I Centennial Commission	12/13/2017	- 12/13/2017
17th Meeting of the US World War I Centennial Commission	03/20/2018	- 03/20/2018
18th Meeting of the US World War I Centennial Commission	06/20/2018	- 06/20/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 3

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00

19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)

0.00 0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

PL 112-272 established the Commission and was amended by PL 113-291, Subtitle J, Section 3091. The Commission received a \$7 million appropriation for FY18. This appropriation was used to fulfill commemorative and educational programs about WWI and to support administrative function. This appropriation was 'no-year' money. Per law, no appropriated funds were used for the development/construction of the National WWI Memorial; the Memorial must be built using donated funds only. The Commission therefore entered into an MOU with The United States Foundation for the Commemoration of the World Wars (USFCWW) to serve as its principal fund raising organization for the WWI Memorial.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

PL 112-272 provides for 12 appointments as follows: 2 members by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, 1 member by the minority leader of the House of Representatives, 2 members by the majority leader of the Senate, 1 member by the minority leader of the Senate, 3 members by the President from persons who are broadly representative of the people of the United States, 1 member by the Executive Director of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, 1 member by the Executive Director of the American Legion, 1 member by the president of the Liberty Memorial Association.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Committee meetings are crucial to operation of Commission. Decision central to function of the Commission are made by Commissioners at these meetings. Meetings are held quarterly.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Commission is established by Public Law 112-272 which law related the following findings: (1) From 2014 through 2018, the United States and nations around the world will mark the centennial of World War I, including the entry of the United States into the war in April 1917. (2) America's support of Great Britain, France, Belgium, and its other allies in World War I marked the first time in United States history that American soldiers went abroad in defense of liberty against foreign aggression, and it marked the true beginning of the "American century". (3) Although World War I was at the time called "the war to end all wars", in fact the United States would commit its troops to the defense of foreign lands 3 more times in the 20th century. (4) More than 4,000,000 men and women from the United States served in uniform during World War I, among them 2 future presidents, Harry

S. Truman and Dwight D. Eisenhower. Two million individuals from the United States served overseas during World War I, including 200,000 naval personnel who served on the seas. The United States suffered 375,000 casualties during World War I, including 116,516 deaths.(5) The events of 1914 through 1918 shaped the world, the United States, and the lives of millions of people. (6) The centennial of World War I offers an opportunity for people in the United States to learn about and commemorate the sacrifices of their predecessors.(7) Commemorative programs, activities, and sites allow people in the United States to learn about the history of World War I, the United States involvement in that war, and the war's effects on the remainder of the 20th century, and to commemorate and honor the participation of the United States and its citizens in the war effort.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

N/A

21. Remarks

Designated Federal Officer

Daniel S Dayton Executive Director

Committee Members	Start	EndOccupation	Member Designation
Anderson, Debra	10/17/2016	The Veterans of Foreign Wars	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Dunning, Maria	12/12/2017	Contractor	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Fountain, Edwin	07/15/2013	Counsel, American Battle Monuments Commission	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hamby, Terry	12/14/2016	Retired	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hester, Jerry	02/07/2013	Retired	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Moe, Thomas	04/17/2013	Retired	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Monahan, John	02/28/2017	American Legion	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Naylor, Matthew	07/20/2015	CEO National World War I Museum	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
O'Connell, Libby	08/03/2013	Historian	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Sedgwick, Theodore	06/24/2016	Retired	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Seefried, Monique	07/15/2014	42nd 'Rainbow' Division Memorial	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Valenzuela, Alfred	08/13/2013	Retired military officer.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 12

Narrative Description

Not Applicable

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

To bring an historical understanding to the American People of the profound effects of World War I on the nation and the world, that we might never repeat it. To build National World War I Memorial in Washington, DC.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

0

Number of Recommendations Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Not Applicable

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable ☒

Agency Feedback Comments

Not Applicable

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Not Applicable

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

Not Applicable. The Commission does not have grant-making authority.

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

Commission website is completed.www.worldwar1centennial.org